

REMARKS

Claims 1 – 41 are pending in the present Application. Claims 1, 22, 30, 40, and 41, have been amended, leaving Claims 1 – 41 for consideration upon entry of the present Amendment. The Specification has been amended and a figure has been added for consistency with the claims.

Claims 1, 22, 30, 40, and 41, have been amended to further identify the storage media claimed. Support for this amendment, the new figure, and the amendment to the Specification, can at least be found in U.S. Patent Application No. 09/502,968 ('968 application), to which this application claims priority and incorporates by reference. The new Figure 4 is Figure 7 of the '968 application, and the axial displacement incorporated into the claims is set forth in Figure 7, at 100% skin thickness. The amendment to the specification can at least be found on Page 5, lines 21 – 24, Page 13, lines 1 – 5, and in Figure 7, of the '968 application.

No new matter has been introduced by these amendments. Reconsideration and allowance of the claims are respectfully requested in view of the above amendments.

Interview Summary

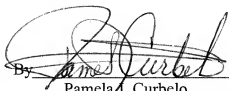
The undersigned would like to thank Examiner Bernatz for his time and assistance. Discussed during a telephone discussion with Examiner Bernatz on September 13, 2006, were the novel properties of the present storage media versus the art of record, including the novelty illustrated by the examples and supported by Figure 7 of the '968 application.

It is believed that the claims herein are allowable to Applicants. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the objection(s) and rejection(s) and allowance of the case are respectfully requested.

If there are any additional charges with respect to this Amendment or otherwise, please charge them to Deposit Account No. 50-1131.

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